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FOR SWATOW, AMOT, AND FOCHOH  
THE Steamship  
"NAMOA"  
Captain Westoby, will be despatched for to  
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 27th inst., at  
Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
J. H. HARRIS, Broker & Co.,  
307 Hongkong, 24th June, 1876.  
OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR SHANGHAI,  
Leaving Cargo and Passengers at through ra-  
for HANKOW, NINGPO, and Ports in  
JAPAN.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"FRIAT"  
will be despatched on or about the 30th inst.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

888: Hongkong, 24th June, 1876..  
STEAM TO BOMBAY, *via* SINGAPORE  
THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship  
"ORISSA"  
will leave for the above place with quick  
spatch. —  
A. McIVER,  
Superintendent.  
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, 23rd June, 1876. [90]  
FOR MANILA.  
THE Spanish Bark  
"ORISSA" 2200

For Freight and Passage, apply to  
**SIRMSSEN & Co.**  
Agents.  
at 969 Hongkong, 24th June, 1876.

**FOR NEW YORK.**  
**THE Al British Bark**

**"MONTEGO,"**  
Griffiths, Master, with the greater portion  
her Cargo engaged, will load here and  
Whampoa for the above Port.  
For Freight, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co.**  
273 Hongkong 24th June 1876.

NOTICE.  
**L. GOY, WATCHMAK**  
 No. 32, QUEEN'S ROAD,  
 Undertakes any orders in this branch.  
 also prepared to go to private Hongkong  
 winding-up of Clocks.  
 933 Hongkong, 20th June, 1876.

NOTICE.  
**FROM** and after this date the Undersigned  
 will not be RESPONSIBLE for  
 DEBT contracted by his wife, EMILIA  
 MARIO.  
 F. S. ALMAR

**CUTLER, PALMER & Co.**  
Celebrated  
Brands of WINES and SPIRITS  
Apply to **SIEMSEN & Co.**  
at 441 Hongkong, 1st June, 1876.

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**FOR SALE.**  
**GRAND PIANO, PIANINOS, HARMONIUMS.**  
System—Kapp's Patent.  
**VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**  
Sole Agents  
927 Hongkong, 18th June, 1876.

**A** FIRST-CLASS Fire-Oared Jugg  
thoroughly good condition, Sal  
Full well; is fitted with double Brass  
and Teak Gratings throughout; New  
Crutches, Yoke, Boat-hooks, Ma  
Cubans, Arming, and Ballast-Bar  
also a well fitted house. The Davi  
Tankies will be sold with the boat.  
Address W. R. P., care of *Daily Press*  
21. 963 . Hongkong, 23rd June, 1878.

**NOTICE.**

In the Estate of the late JOHN GI  
Storekeeper, Amoy.

A must be sent in to the Undersecretary or before the 30th September, or they will not be recognized, and all Persons indebted to the Estate are requested to pay the Amount within in the same period.

(Signed)

B. NICHOLLS, { Administrator  
HENRY SUTTON, { of the will of  
JOHN GILCHRIST

928 Amoy, 15th June, 1876.

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## Notices to Consignees

NOTICE.

TO CONSIGNEES OF OBTIONAL  
EX O. S. S. CO.'S Steamship **SARAE**  
FROM LIVERPOOL.  
**S** HIPPING Orders must be obtained  
the Undersigned not later than  
inst. for shipment per Steamship **PERLA**  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
53 570 Hongkong, 23rd June, 1876  
**STEAMSHIP ESHERALDA, FROM**  
**AND SWATOW.**  
**C**ONSIGNERS of Cargo per above  
are hereby informed that their G  
going landed and stored at their risk  
downs of the Undersigned, whende

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES OF  
P. & O. S. N. COMPANY'S STEAMERS  
MONGOLIA.**

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above vessel from Bombay and India Ports, and in connection with the same from London, and Khiva from Calcutta hereby notified that their Goods are

Goods not delivered by the 24th inst. be subject to Rent.

A. MAYER,  
Superior  
64-930 Hongkong, 19th June, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

CONSIGNEES of the following C. requested to send in their Bills to the undersigned for countersignature take immediate delivery; this Cargo

No fire insurance	on steamships.
G. DE CHAMPEAU	-Tatler-
Ex Steamship Hoogly, March 11th	1 case New
R.M. No. 29	front Main
Ex Steamship Ava, 2d May, 1st	
CFF	100 bags Gum, from London
Ex Steamship Amazonas, 14th May	
EGG	181 bags Gum
CGP	4 cases Ver
OFG	4 boxes Me
OIL	8 bags Gum
No marks	2 bags Rai
Ex Steamship Andary.	

gent. HKH, 6885/6887,..... 3 cases Me  
Hongkong, 2th June, 1876.



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would assume a different position, and should meet with the earnest attention of the Colonial Government.

It got to this case, to what, is the postponement of this important undertaking? It would be interesting to know. The community have been looking on, for more than a year, for some sign of a commencement of the new Praya. Month after month has glided by, and still there is not the slightest indication of its being started. It is true there are many other projected undertakings, all equally needed, and the prompt execution of which has been strongly advocated, but so far not one of them has been initiated yet. The site for the new Civil Hospital is still bare and untouched; the Central School is still housed in the old and inconvenient building; and the new Water-works are still in the future. It is in contemplation, we believe, to commence the latter almost immediately, but the Praya, that urgently needed improvement, is as far off construction, apparently, as ever. A great deal of energy has been expended on the improvement of the various thoroughfares, most of which are now as nearly perfect as could be wished. But the Praya is not only being neglected, but its condition is getting worse. It would, in the event of another severe typhoon visiting the Colony, be incapable of opposing any resistance to the forces of the winter, and the buildings along it would inevitably suffer serious damage. The property bordering the Praya is among the most valuable in the Colony, and ought to be protected, as far as possible, from the ravages caused by the typhoons which so frequently pass over the island. It is of the utmost importance that the sea-wall should be a strong, and, if possible, a permanent work. A structure constantly requiring repairs is not only more costly in the end, but it is likewise most unsatisfactory. The Praya has hitherto proved a constant drain upon the revenue of the Colony, and it is to be hoped that its reconstruction will be carried out on a principle that will obviate the necessity for such frequent repairs.

It is now too late in the season to commence the work. Were any attempt to start it now made, the probabilities are that a typhoon would come and sweep away all that had been effected. But though it would be scarcely advisable to attempt any reconstruction, some of the contemplated repairs might perhaps be carried out. Mr. Paine is the best judge of this, however. Had the Government chosen, the whole of the works might by this time have been completed, in which case the merchants and others having places of business or godowns on the Praya would not be looking forward to the next typhoon with the lively apprehensions at present entertained by many of them. It is not easy to understand what are the real reasons for the vexatious delay of this very necessary work. We should hardly think it was necessary, before commencing it, to wait the sanction of the Secretary of State for the Colonies to borrow the money for it from the Special Fund, as it was proposed to do. He would not be likely to refuse so reasonable a request, and in any case the work would have to be undertaken, no matter how or whence the money was obtained. The plan suggested by the Commission, whereby the debt could be paid off by means of a Sinking Fund, is a good one. If the Government has delayed the inauguration of the work from this cause it is to be regretted, for time has been lost without reason. If it has been done with a view to permit of the construction of other public offices, it is also equally to be regretted, for none have been erected. It is to be hoped that there will be no more procrastination, but that directly the necessary changes in the Praya will be energetically proceeded with. In the meantime it is to be feared that if a typhoon of equal violence to that of September, 1874, should sweep over Hongkong, it will do much more havoc along the Praya than have resulted had a wall capable of resisting the fury of the sea been constructed. The case does not, apparently, admit of any sound excuse, since it cannot be pleaded that other great works have been occupying the time and attention of the Colonial Government. The community have waited with admirable patience for the commencement of the great improvements promised long ago, and have a right to grumble when they find performance so tantalizingly postponed.

The agents (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) have received a telegram stating that the steamship "Prima" left Singapore for this port on the 22nd instant.

Mr. J. D. Woodford, who was announced on board at request on the body of a Chinese sailor yesterday, was fined \$10 for not attending.

The "Frederick Herald" of the 15th instant says, with regard to the market—Up to the 10th instant, a considerable quantity of new cotton was transacted, at slightly higher rates for medium and good medium descriptions; on that date, however, and on the two succeeding days, the river rose to an unprecedented height, flooding all the low-lying ground on both banks, damaging large quantities of tea belonging to the native merchants, and causing a complete stoppage of mercantile operations. Business was not attempted until this morning, and so far as can be judged, at present, the market does not appear to be very materially influenced by the reported loss of leaf. Shipments, having been suspended for a few days, were partially resumed yesterday, and today cargo is going forward in regular course. The steamship "Fishing, Bremen, Costa, and America," will probably clear for London during the current week. The steamship "Queenland" is loading for Australia ports.

An inquest was held at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon before Mr. Justice and a jury (comprising Messrs. M. B. Taylor, W. E. D. Dunn, and J. Block) on the body of a Chinese sailor, who was found dead on the beach, lying in New Bath Street. The last time he was seen alive was at 5 o'clock the previous night. Deceased told him several times that he was going to die, and his wife took him to her room, where he was found dead on the morning of the 22nd. The jury returned a verdict that the deceased was killed by a blow on the head, inflicted by a person or persons, who were two in number from the ground. As he was cutting the body down the rope broke. J. Atong, said the deceased, who was his brother, was 30 years of age, and was a sailor on the "Frederick," lying in New Bath Street. The last time he saw him was at 5 o'clock the previous night. 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**THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LONDON.**  
SUSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£500,000.

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1192 Hongkong, 27th June, 1876.

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**DOUGLAS LAFFRAK & Co.**  
1171 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

**TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.**  
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1171 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

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## Vessels Advertised as Loading.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON via SUEZ CANAL.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Huberfeld & Sime.	On or about 30th inst.
Do.	Flamingo (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Flamingo (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO via YAMAHA.	Belgio (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.	Yander	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE AND BANGKOK.	Eyen (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
BOMBAY.	Orissa (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, &c.	Anday (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
MANILA.	Anday (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA.	Anday (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI.	Anday (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
Do.	Donation (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.	Namoo (str.)	Concho	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Quick despatch.

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CHAS. HEDGECOCK'S CHAMPAGNE.  
\$18.....per case of 12 dozen pints.  
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CHATEAU D'AY CHAMPAGNE, 1869.  
\$18.....per case of 12 dozen quarts.  
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\$9.....per case of 12 dozen quarts.  
LODMONT.  
\$5.....per case of 12 dozen quarts.  
\$6.....per case of 2 dozen pints.  
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**OLARETS.**  
Tabac Charet, Madeo.....\$3.50 per 1 doz.  
St. Emilion (quarts).....\$4.50 per 1 doz.  
St. Emilion (pints).....\$4.50 per 2 doz.  
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Chateau Laffra (quarts).....\$10.00 per 1 doz.  
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Haut Sauternes (quarts).....\$7.50 per 1 doz.  
Chateau Laffra (quarts).....\$7.50 per 1 doz.  
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## Extracts.

I can see her no more; the clouds are shifting,  
 And cover her in with their wreck and haze,  
 But I know that beyond, she is drifting-drifting,  
 Away to the end of days.

O useless words, that need not have been spoken !  
 O wandering soul, that suffers and arrays !  
 O loving ties, that need not have been broken,  
 But are, to the end of days.

In heaven, while the angels whisper and gaze—  
Will he give you me, casting your sins behind him,  
Mine, at the end of days?

Life's path grows drear; hope's star is waning!  
Earth's passion, is there a heaven that stays?  
Yet at last in the grave there is rest remaining,  
And peace, at the end of days.

There is work still left me, attempt, endeavour;  
Success may come, honour, perchance men's praise,  
Or failure and loss—but she, ah, never,  
—No more to the end of days!

### S CLEMBING PLANTS

Climbing plants are exceedingly useful things; they grow rapidly, produce an excellent covering for the walls of a greenhouse, and are the only plants which are so generally successful in covering bare and crumbling masonry and crumbling stone or cracked walls. We do not despise them because they cannot stand alone, or because they have neither the strength nor the nature of the forest-tree, but we prize them for their qualities of beauty and gracefulness, and heartily admire their rank luxuriance. In some cases, indeed, they are also positioners for the contemplator, and are the only specimens of humanity that fulfil in courts and high places the offices of climbing plants in a greenhouse. Those who have claim to this title are generally men of no remarkable attainments, of no personal beauty, and boasting no exceptional charm of manner; yet they have gradually risen from mere commonplace common parlours to the distinguished positions of kings or the universally-honoured guest in the most exclusive circles. Such a fact would almost appear a paradox; for it is generally supposed that the verdict of the world is, on the whole, uncommonly judicious, were it not of such everyday occurrence as almost to escape remark. A climbing plant springs up rapidly, but it need not grow to a deep root. The favour of kings is procured in the shortest time, and it is quick. The climbing plant is short-lived, but it is brilliant; for courtiers follow one another in rotation, as the hakeyas in a large establishment.

The men who succeed as climbing plants are generally mediocre in mind, often poor in pocket, but they have certain talents of tact and adaptability which gifted minds either dislike or despise. They have no violent dislikes or prejudices; the angles of originality have been so rubbed off that friction causes no disagreeable explosions of temper, no unexpected bitterness. They exude no fears, suspicions, or jealousies, for there is nothing in them that can excite anything but blank astonishment. When we see men without birth, family, or fortune, of indifferent attainments and vulgar habits, rise

AN AMERICAN ESTIMATE OF THE  
QUEEN'S INCOME.

A prominent member of Parliament recently announced in a speech that Queen Victoria's youngest daughter, Princess Beatrice, was engaged to be married. This statement was subsequently contradicted, but it was not until the following day that it was erroneous. It has been a feature in the Queen's policy to marry her daughters as she wishes, and it is unlikely that she intends that her youngest to be an exception to this rule. It is this case Parliament will be of course applied for a provision for her living expenses, and the Government will be asked to provide, namely, £5,000 a year, which will make the entire sum granted to the Royal family, exclusive of the annual grant of £385,000 to the Queen herself, £143,000 per annum for the present generation, but more than £100,000 for the succeeding generation. It is difficult to be of any opinion as to an allowance will, in the ordinary course of things, be required for him, even if there has not previously been an application for one, or a further sum for his father, meaning while none of the existing pensions, with the exception of the £25,000 allotted to the Duke of Edinburgh, will be available when he expires. From this point of view, then, the burdens of the British taxpayer are not likely to be so very great, and it is not necessary to see any statement; but, on the other hand, there is a very satisfactory set-off in the fact that under improved management the revenue derived from the sale of the land for a fixed Parliamentary grant less of low value augmented to such a degree that it last year nearly covered the whole of this grant. You will doubtless be time far exceed it. The same may be said in regard to the revenue of the two of the three.

In 1865 the Queen received from the former Duplest and another

of John of Gaunt, £268,000; in 1874 £441,000. The increase has for years continued at the rate of an average of some £30,000 a year. This revenue is entirely independent of that granted by the Legislature, and completely at her own disposal. The amount of such revenue has been £1,239,000 in 1874 to 1875, £1,268,000 in 1875 to 1876, and £1,293,000 a year; but it is probable that the increase will ere long take a sudden leap to much larger sums, by the falling in of leases, and that the income from this source will render a future Prince of Wales independent of the State. It is not, however, a very good reason to suppose that the Royal Family of England will, like the House of Orleans, be rendered very independent of the large grants from the State in time to come by the immense property they will inherit from Queen Victoria, who in the world of the wealthiest persons is the most, quite apart from her vast personal wealth, and her own the valuable properties of Osborne and Balmoral (the latter more than 25,000 acres of revenue), both of which, although not sources of revenue, would sell for immense sums to cover accumulations of money must be prodigious. Like many persons who have been brought into the world by the death of a rich man, very much might be bought her mother, and to her mother's property, which she took to England to give birth to her was encumbered. Her Majesty's expenditure has always been exceedingly careful. No establishment in the world has been conducted with more thorough economy than hers, and since the death of the Prince Consort, the most economical and thrifty reign in the immense saving has been effected in her expenditure. Of her £3855,000 a year it was arranged, at the beginning of her reign, that all over £236,000 should be divided between the three great departments of her household. Of the £236,000; £60,000 a year was to be reserved for her private expenses, £100,000 for her private household, and £76,000 for her "contingencies." But the retreating manner in which the Court has lived of late has reduced the expenditure

so much that it may be doubted if this £236,000 a year has been touched—indeed, whether even a great portion of the sums allotted to the lord steward, lord chamberlain, and master of the horse, has ever been used. Besides all these sources of revenue, the Queen has yet another—very considerable—An eccentric miser, by name Noill, who died in 1852, left her property amounting to over £2500,000. Here is at least £20,000 a year. It will thus be seen

that, while her means have increased, her expenditure has greatly diminished. But, be it remembered, almost her first act on coming to the throne was to pay her father's debts, and she has never had a debt herself; and now, probably, with prudent eye, she is making a provision which will cause her careful economy to be blessed by her son's subjects. *Appleton's Journal.*

URKISH PIRATES.

If we may judge from one of the papers printed in the recent report of the Historical Manuscripts-Commission, the Turks, caused the most serious trouble to the British colony on the coast almost as much as piracy as they do now, although in a very different way. This paper, which is dated 1686, is taken from the Weymouth and Melcombe Regis collection, and is a petition that ships may be stationed along the English and Irish coasts for their protection from Turkish piracy. The latter was then the most common cause of injury, and to have done a net amount of injury. "As from Plymouth," says the paper, "it was advertised that fifteen sayle of Turks were upon this coast, and that divers rasciells were done by them, whereof their lordships were already advertised by letters from that towne." The *Pordely*, from Dartmouth, "near Silley," and the *Swan*, of Topisham, had been "lett upon by two great Turkes men of warr near Silley," and the crew "were driven to run away on shore to save themselves from them." "Divers fishermen" were captured "in the western parts, being there a fishing," and a number of the *Armenians* ship called "the *Lark*," having 15 men and a boy, was seized, and the master "slayne;" and "the *Rosegordack*" met a similar fate, "barque, cooke, and seamen being carried away by them." At the time of writing five ships were known to be in the Severn, taking weekly to the Mediterranean Gulf; and the number of their ships was 150 in the Channel, upon the coast of France and Biscay. "Whereby it is come to passe," say the petitioners, "that our mariners will no longer goe to sea, nor from port to port; yea, the fishermen dare not put to sea, to take fish for the country." It is, therefore, desired that "a convenient number of shippes shalbe mynistr'd to the coast of France, and Biscay, which may be victualled here and there, and not retorne to Portsmouth or London to be revictualled." The petitioners also propose that any who choose may obtain a commission to capture Turks and other pirates, with power "to dispose of them and their goods at their pleasure, yielding unto his Majesty his share thereof." The petitioners desire that the same year connected with measures for suppressing the Turks, and from these it seems that Exeter took the lead in the movement. It was chiefly in Cardiff and the neighbourhood that the pirates found shelter.

TRAVELLING IN CENTRAL ASIA.

Sometimes the traveller will be delayed at a larger rivulet, which the ferryman declines to cross over until the flood shall have subsided; and on one occasion I passed nearly 24 weary hours in company with a party of twelve persons, who, partly by the strong, ebb-tide, partly by the passage of the ferryboat, and partly by the strong wind which was blowing at the time. My fellow-sufferers were still more impatient at the delay than myself, and amid much unreasonable grumbling attributed our misfortune to the presence of an unhappy and almost guilty-looking priest, who also wanted to cross over. On inquiry I learned that Russian peasants have curious superstitions respecting the priests, and that, considering it un lucky, for instance, to meet him when they are on the point or setting out on any excursion or journey. Whenever, consequently, the great man of the village happened to be going out shooting, the "pope" makes a point of keeping quietly at home in order to avoid the possibility of any un lucky rencontre. The mud of the post-roads across the open country comes to a total stop at the village of Sazanara, and although at about fifteen miles between Sazanara and Orsk. In these, two lines of weather-beaten wooden shanties form the bounds of a deeper, broad sea of black sludge, trodden knee-deep by passengers, or by flocks of cattle which come trooping out of farmyards, in the grey morning dawn, on their way to the surrounding pastures. The *tennashas* must afford a welcome break in the monotony of the village, and the sight of the steaming, jingling tea-kettles, and the laughing, peasant women, with labour-lined faces gaze with a somewhat languid curiosity through the small windows of the log huts, while white-haired villageurchins stop their play for a moment, and the pretty little girls sitting on the porch steps glance shyly up from their knitting. It is scarcely any wonder if these children, who are literally selected lives, are so much more susceptible to the influences of the offspring of European peasants before to be killed by hard conditions of life before they reach the age of twelve months.—The *Shores of Lake Aral*, by Major Herbert Wood.

A GERMAN GAMBLING HOUSE.

About this table fifty or sixty persons were assembled, many in the outer rows; where there was occasionally a deposit of new comers, being mere spectators, only that one of them, usually a woman, might now and then be observing putting down a five-franc piece into a gambling tin, just to see what the masses of spectators thought of them. These were taking their pleasure at a higher strength and were absorbed in play, showed very distant varieties of European type: Livonian and Spanish, Greek, Italian and miscellaneous German, English aristocratic and English plebeian. Here certainly was a striking admission of human equality. The white complexion, the light hair, the blue eyes, the very near touching a bonny yellow, curly like head stretching a barest tint to clutch a heap of coin—a hand: easy to sort, with the curls, gaunt face, deep-set eyes, grizzled eyebrows, and ill-combed scanty hair which seemed a slight metamorphosis of the rufous. And where also would her ladyship have graciously consented to sit by that dry-lipped old fellow, with the white hair and the eyes so short, bleak like her artificial flowers, holding a shabby velvet reticule before her, and occasionally putting in her mouth the point with which she pricked her card? Where too, very near the fair countesses, was a respectable London tradesman, blond and red-headed, his sleek hair scrupulously parted behind and before, conscious of entire edification, and his smile and eye, whose distinguished pretensions seemed to take in holidays fashionably, and to a certain extent in their distinguished company. Not in the gambler's passion that nullifies appetite, but a well-bred leisure, which in the intervals of winning money in business and spending it shovily, sees no better resource than the game of chance.

More slowly—reflecting always that Providence had never manifested any disapprobation of his amusement and disapprobation enough to leave off if the sweetness of winning took and seeing others lose had turned to the sources of losing, much and seeing others win—For the vice of gambling lay in losing money, not in winning it.

Something of the tradesman, but in his place, here was he fit to rank with owners of the richest titles.—From George Eliot's new story, *Adam Bede*.

The Commander-in-Chief has notified that it is contrary to the rules of the service for soldiers to take off their caps and cheer the Queen, and that the proper way to respect her Majesty is to salute in the usual military fashion.

## HONGKONG MARKETS

Reported by: Catania on: the 23rd June.

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**COLLEEN GOODS.**

<b>Manakota, 7 lbs.</b>	per pair	\$2.70
♂ 10 lbs.	do	3.00
" 12 lbs.	do	3.30
" 10 lbs.	do	2.70
" 12 lbs.	do	3.00
<b>Carniel, 8 lbs.</b>	per piece	10.00
♂ 8 lbs.	do	17.50
" 8 lbs.	do	17.50
" 10 lbs.	do	18.00
" 12 lbs.	do	18.00
" 14 lbs.	do	18.00
" 16 lbs.	do	18.00
<b>Clarin, Red</b>	per yard	12.00
♂ 10 lbs.	do	12.00
" 12 lbs.	do	12.00
<b>Long Red, M M Seal</b>	per piece	0.10
♂ 10 lbs.	do	0.05
" 12 lbs.	do	0.05
" 14 lbs.	do	0.05
" 16 lbs.	do	0.05
" 18 lbs.	do	0.05
" 20 lbs.	do	0.05
<b>Luavio, Tiger</b>	per piece	0.10
♂ 10 lbs.	do	0.05
" 12 lbs.	do	0.05
" 14 lbs.	do	0.05
" 16 lbs.	do	0.05
" 18 lbs.	do	0.05
" 20 lbs.	do	0.05
<b>Spanish Stripes</b>	per yard	0.80
♂ 10 lbs.	do	0.40
" 12 lbs.	do	0.40
" 14 lbs.	do	0.40
" 16 lbs.	do	0.40
" 18 lbs.	do	0.40
" 20 lbs.	do	0.40
<b>METALS</b>		
<b>Iron, Yari Rod</b>	per piece	2.25
♂ 10 lbs.	do	2.25
" 12 lbs.	do	2.25
" 14 lbs.	do	2.25
" 16 lbs.	do	2.25
" 18 lbs.	do	2.25
" 20 lbs.	do	2.25
<b>Pigs, W. B.</b>	per piece	7.50
♂ 10 lbs.	do	7.50
" 12 lbs.	do	7.50
" 14 lbs.	do	7.50
" 16 lbs.	do	7.50
" 18 lbs.	do	7.50
" 20 lbs.	do	7.50
<b>Quartz, English</b>	per piece	14.00
♂ 10 lbs.	do	14.00
" 12 lbs.	do	14.00
" 14 lbs.	do	14.00
" 16 lbs.	do	14.00
" 18 lbs.	do	14.00
" 20 lbs.	do	14.00
<b>Sheathing Metal</b>	per piece	24.00
♂ 10 lbs.	do	24.00
" 12 lbs.	do	24.00
" 14 lbs.	do	24.00
" 16 lbs.	do	24.00
" 18 lbs.	do	24.00
" 20 lbs.	do	24.00
<b>Spoker</b>	per piece	8.00
♂ 10 lbs.	do	8.00
" 12 lbs.	do	8.00
" 14 lbs.	do	8.00
" 16 lbs.	do	8.00
" 18 lbs.	do	8.00
" 20 lbs.	do	8.00
<b>Flat</b>	per box	6.00
♂ 10 lbs.	do	6.00
" 12 lbs.	do	6.00
" 14 lbs.	do	6.00
" 16 lbs.	do	6.00
" 18 lbs.	do	6.00
" 20 lbs.	do	6.00
<b>PRODUCE</b>		
<b>Almonds</b>	per piece	24.00
♂ 10 lbs.	do	24.00
" 12 lbs.	do	24.00
" 14 lbs.	do	24.00
" 16 lbs.	do	24.00
" 18 lbs.	do	24.00
" 20 lbs.	do	24.00
<b>Beans</b>	per piece	1.75
♂ 10 lbs.	do	1.75
" 12 lbs.	do	1.75
" 14 lbs.	do	1.75
" 16 lbs.	do	1.75
" 18 lbs.	do	1.75
" 20 lbs.	do	1.75
<b>Beef</b>	per piece	1.75
♂ 10 lbs.	do	1.75
" 12 lbs.	do	1.75
" 14 lbs.	do	1.75
" 16 lbs.	do	1.75
" 18 lbs.	do	1.75
" 20 lbs.	do	1.75
<b>Butter</b>	per piece	1.75
♂ 10 lbs.	do	1.75
" 12 lbs.	do	1.75
" 14 lbs.	do	1.75
" 16 lbs.	do	1.75
" 18 lbs.	do	1.75
" 20 lbs.	do	1.75
<b>Cheese</b>	per piece	1.75
♂ 10 lbs.	do	1.75
" 12 lbs.	do	1.75
" 14 lbs.	do	1.75
" 16 lbs.	do	1.75
" 18 lbs.	do	1.75
" 20 lbs.	do	1.75
<b>Eggs</b>	per piece	1.75
♂ 10 lbs.	do	1.75
" 12 lbs.	do	1.75
" 14 lbs.	do	1.75
" 16 lbs.	do	1.75
" 18 lbs.	do	1.75
" 20 lbs.	do	1.75

## SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS

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